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Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

■ Submitted herewith is a Japanese Office Action (with English translation) for the Examiner's consideration. Also submitted is a PTO-1449 listing JP 11-223417, JP 6-180159 and JP 6-58644 (first cited). JP 59-35018 which correspond to US 4,440,871 which was filed on October 2, 2003. Also enclosed is a second Japanese Office Action (with English translation), the references cited therein were previously filed.

RELATED CASES

Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s), published application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. In accordance with the waiver of 37 CFR 1.98 dated September 21, 2004, copies of the cited pending applications are not provided. Cited published and/or issued patents, if any, are listed on the attached PTO form 1449.

CERTIFICATION

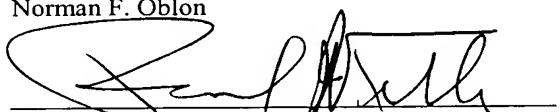
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